

# 2019 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health

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## 1. Department or Agency

Department of Labor

## 2. Fiscal Year

2019

## 3. Committee or Subcommittee

National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health

## 3b. GSA Committee No.

170

## 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

## 5. Current Charter

10/05/2016

## 6. Expected Renewal Date

10/05/2018

## 7. Expected Term Date

## 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

## 8b. Specific Termination Authority

## 8c. Actual Term Date

## 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

## 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

## 10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

## 11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

## 12. Specific Establishment Authority

29 U.S.C. 656

## 13. Effective Date

12/29/1970

## 14. Committee Type

Continuing

## 14c. Presidential?

No

## 15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

## 16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

## 17a. Open Meetings and Dates 0 17b. Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17c. Partially Closed Meetings and Dates 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total Meetings and Dates 0

No Meetings

## Current FY Next FY

## 18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff

\$0.00 \$0.00

## 18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Committee meets in open sessions on a regular basis, with a wide variety of presentations made by senior staff members from both the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH). There are also several work groups which meet from time to time to do data gathering and produce material from which the full Committee produces recommendations in open sessions. Each meeting begins with a full overview of activities given by the heads of the two agencies.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

As specified by the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act), NACOSH is composed of the following representatives: four public, two management, two labor, two occupational health and two occupational safety professionals. Two of the public and both of the health representatives are designated by the Secretary of Health and Human Services. All members are officially appointed by the Secretary of Labor. Consideration is given to diversity in size, type of business, geographic location and personal experience. An effort is made to represent all elements of industry and the public.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

In FY 2018, the Committee did not convene for any meetings.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

This is the only group of a continuing nature that brings together employee, employer, and public interests regarding occupational safety and health. The advice of this group is important to both OSHA and NIOSH in fulfilling their functions.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

All committee meetings are open.

**21. Remarks**

This Committee reports to the Secretaries of Labor and Health and Human Services. NACOSH did not meet FY18. Committee activities and operations were being reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 13781, Comprehensive Plan for Reorganizing the Executive Branch, to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability of Executive

Branch agencies. Consequently, FY18 actual costs, which include federal staff support, are substantially less than the NACOSH charter's reported estimated annual operating costs.

### Designated Federal Officer

Amanda L. Edens Director, Directorate of Technical Support & Emergency Management

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Bertsche, Patricia	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	Occupational Health & Wellness Consultant	Representative Member
Lewis, Cynthia	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	Director, Gulf Coast Safety Institute	Representative Member
Moser, Jerrod	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	Director, Corporate Safety and Health, OG&E Energy Corporation	Representative Member
Scott, Wellesley	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	Director, Consulting Services	Representative Member
Seminario, Margaret	10/31/2014	12/31/2018	Director, Safety and Health, AFL-CIO	Representative Member
Soiza, Anne	10/31/2014	12/31/2018	Assistant Director, Washington Division of Occupational Safety and Health	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 6**

### Narrative Description

The National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH) advises, consults with, and makes recommendations to the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on matters relating to the administration of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. The committee supports the mission and strategic plans of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) by presenting the viewpoints of employers, employees and representatives of health and safety professions. The Committee has members who are qualified by knowledge and experience to make useful contributions to the agency's mission for purposes of reducing employee injuries and illnesses.

### What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements



Other



### Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

### What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None



Unable to Determine



Under \$100,000



\$100,000 - \$500,000



\$500,001 - \$1,000,000



\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000



\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000



Over \$10,000,000



Cost Savings Other



### Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

### What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

95

### Number of Recommendations Comments

The Committee provides valuable advice to OSHA and NIOSH on an ongoing basis regarding current issues under consideration. In FY 2018, NACOSH did not hold any meetings. Past recommendations have included: recommending that OSHA proceed with rulemaking on and adopt draft regulatory text for an Emergency Response and Preparedness (ERP) developed by a NACOSH ERP Subcommittee; developing a best practices document on protecting temporary workers; incorporating NACOSH's comments on several OSHA outreach and guidance documents, including OSHA's updated Safety and Health Program Management Guidelines; providing input on OSHA's and NIOSH's Ebola prevention policy and activities; commenting on the draft OSHA/NIOSH best practices document for protecting temporary workers; ensuring that the Department of Agriculture's draft final poultry slaughter modernization rule not move forward until OSHA and NIOSH staff had an opportunity to review and study how the rule impacts worker safety and health; maintaining OSHA's Injury and Illness Prevention Program rulemaking

proposal as the highest priority on its regulatory agenda and to support, along with NIOSH, a national symposium to present best practices; supporting OSHA's efforts to transition from Standard Industrial Classifications (SIC) to North American Industry Classification System (NAICS); designing and using recordkeeping and surveillance systems (such as adding employee groups not currently covered and improving efficiency by having data reported electronically); promulgating a final rule for an MSD column on the OSHA 300 log; identifying initiatives arising from OSHA's response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill; and funding for NIOSH education and research centers.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

73%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Each recommendation is studied and evaluated to understand its strengths and weaknesses before a decision of full implementation is made.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

23%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

Each recommendation is studied and evaluated to understand its strength and weaknesses before a decision of partial implementation is made.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

**Agency Feedback Comments**

OSHA and NIOSH provide the Committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations during discussions at NACOSH meetings and through correspondence to the Committee chairperson.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities



Reallocated resources



Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Action Comments**

Not Applicable

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

Not Applicable

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Access Comments**

<http://www.osha.gov/dop/nacosh/nacosh.html>